

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY

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TITLE: MUSIC MURDER MYSTERY

JULY 1966 AND A MYSTERY BEGINS.

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY, BROUGHT TO YOU BY THIS STATION AND THE SAVE TEXAS HISTORY PROGRAM OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

JULY 18, 1966. LOS ANGELES. BORN IN GOOSE CREEK AND RAISED IN EL PASO, MUSICIAN BOBBY FULLER SEEMS TO BE THE NEXT BUDDY HOLLY. HIS BAND, THE BOBBY FULLER FOUR, HAVE A HIT SINGLE “I FOUGHT THE LAW” AND BOBBY EVEN HAS A PROMISING MOVIE CAREER.

BUT ALL THAT ENDS TODAY WHEN BOBBY’S MOTHER FINDS HIM DEAD IN THE FRONT SEAT OF HIS CAR PARKED NEAR HIS L.A. APARTMENT. FULLER IS BRUISED AND SOAKED IN GASOLINE, A GAS-SOAKED RAG IN HIS MOUTH.

THE L.A.P.D. RULE IT A SUICIDE. MANY DISAGREE. WHILE THE MYSTERY OF BOBBY FULLER’S DEATH REMAINS UNSOLVED, HIS MUSIC AND HIS LEGACY LIVE ON.

TEXAN BOBBY FULLER DIED 46 YEARS AGO, THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY.

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